

Special Village Board MEETING MINUTES August 21, 2017

VILLAGE BOARD PRESENT: D. DeGroot, G. Feest, J. Hewitt, S. Havn, J. Hansen, K. Otwaska

Village Board Absent: None

Staff: R. Stedman, S. Kohlhagen, K. Magyar, T. Zarzecki, S. Schultz

Other: Attorney Marcuvitz, R. Richardson

1. Pledge of Allegiance

President DeGroot called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call – Kohlhagen preformed roll call

3. Public Comment and Input

Michael Devine – 3057 Meyer Court – spoke regarding Foxconn and why there is a need for a Project Manager Don Schulz- 811 Hwy V – spoke regarding the closed session at the last meeting and creating a new position of a Project Manager

4. New Business

- a. To consider approval of a contract for a Project Director for the Village of Mount Pleasant Attorney Marcuvitz addressed the Village Board that there is a need for a Project Director as the Village is growing and is looking into the future and not at just the possibility of immediate development. In order for the Village to compete favorably and have the services it needs, the Village should be looking at the position of Project Director. Attorney Marcuvitz stated that he has worked with Mr. Lois in other developments as well as others in the community such as RCEDC. We concluded that this would be a very beneficial step for the Village to take whether or not Foxconn comes to the Village or not. We have prepared a draft agreement and submitted it to the Village Board on Friday and to Kapur and Associates Inc. for whom Mr. Lois works. The term will be slightly longer than one year and can be extended or cancelled at any time with a 30 written notice. The services provided will be project management services and any other administrative services as requested by the Village. The title of the position is Project Director the compensation is \$20,000 per month and the services provided will be on a full time basis. Attorney Marcuvitz unequivocally recommends that the Village Board approves this contract. Hewitt motioned to approve the Project Director agreement as written by Attorney Marcuvtiz engaging in Mr. Lois as the Project Director as outlined in the agreement. Motion seconded by Otwaska. After lengthy discussion Attorney Marcuvitz stated that a negative vote tonight would send a clear message to Foxconn that this Village is not that committed to bringing Foxconn here. We need the services of this person to help us close the loop and put us in the best position possible to get this project into the Village of Mount Pleasant if they say they want to come here. Roll Call Vote was taken: Hansen – No, Hewitt – Aye, Havn – Aye, Feest – No, Otwaska – Aye, DeGroot - Aye. Motion carried (4-2)
- b. The Village Board will convene, upon passage of the proper motion, into Closed Session with legal counsel and staff, under §19.85(1) (e), Wis. Stats; deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: specifically, to discuss a development project within the Village of Mount Pleasant. Motion by Hewitt to convene into closed session under §19.85(1) (e), Wis. Stats; deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: specifically, to discuss a development project within the Village of Mount Pleasant. Motion seconded by Havn. Roll Call Vote: Hansen Aye, Hewitt –Aye, Havn –Aye, Feest Aye, Otwaska –Aye, DeGroot –Aye. Motion carried (6-0)
- c. Reconvene into open session to consider any motions on any of the matters discussed under the closed session listed above. Motion by Hewitt to reconvene into open session to consider any motions on any of the matters discussed under the closed session listed above. Motion seconded by Feest. Roll Call Vote: Hansen Aye, Hewitt –Aye, Havn –Aye, Feest –Aye, Otwaska –Aye, DeGroot –Aye. Motion carried (6-0). Report out the discussion with legal counsel and economic development staff members continues.



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5. Adjournment -

Hansen moved to adjourn at approximately 8:25 pm. **Otwaska** seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (6-0)

